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PLYMOUTH HOUSE

Attendance at Plymouth House reflects e increased enrollment at the University California. The new officers, headed Harry ("Bo") Drobish as president, ve been welcoming many new students. group of more than fifty has assembled ch Sunday evening since the opening of e term.

Among welcoming activities were in- uded an Open House on Friday, Sep- mber 20, and Firesides at different omes, with parties following on Septem- er 27 and October 4. Plans have been ade to call personally on as many as ossible of the new students, and letters ave been sent to all of them outlining ie activities of Plymouth House.

The cabinet held an all-day planning etreat on Saturday, September 21. Ini- al plans were made for a retreat for ne entire Plymouth House group to be eld the week-end of October 12. The rrangements were also made for the reg- lar weekly program, which will include social hour, forum, and worship serv- e on Sunday evening; a Tuesday noon uncheon group for discussion of current ffairs; a Wednesday evening supper fol- owed by a course of study on "Discover- ng an Adequate Faith for Life," led by tev. Ford Forsyth, minister to Plymouth House; and Friday evening social occa- ions. During its first meetings the group nas had opportunity to become acquaint- ed with Rev. Vere V. Loper, minister of First Congregational Church, and Mr. Charles Black, the minister of music at First Congregational.

Ministers in communities from which students are attending the University of California are urged to send the names of their young people to Plymouth House in order that they may be invited to join in this college-age fellowship which is supported by the Northern California Conference.

P. F. RALLIES

By Sunday, October 13, every Pilgrim Fellowship Area has had its Fall Rally. These rallies have been marked by strong enthusiasm for new Fall plans and the strengthening of area and local organization.

The rallies have been held as follows: West Bay—Sept. 7, at First Church, San Francisco; East Bay—Sept. 28, picnic at Redwood Canyon; Upper Bay—Sept. 29, Antioch; Redwood Empire—Oct. 12, Sebastopol; Central Area—Oct. 13, Sacramento; and San Joaquin—Oct. 13, Tulare.

Some State officers of Pilgrim Fellowship have attended each of the rallies. Among the plans discussed at each rally has been the program of visitation to new P.F. groups and to those not represented at State Camp in August; the distribution of the new Pilgrim Fellowship Manual and the 1946-47 supplement; plans for Midwinter Conference at Lodi, December 27-30.

CLOTHES FOR ASIA

Church World Service has set up a new center for the west coast. Beginning with October 15, all clothing for relief work in Asia should be sent to 1145 South 10th St., Richmond, California, instead of the former center at Modesto. The first week in November all churches are being asked to make a special drive for clothing. The need is great.

ON TO SACRAMENTO

Sacramento will be the Mecca for Congregational ministers and lay people on October 22-24, when the 90th annual meeting of the Conference will be held. The historic First (Pioneer) Church will be the host. This church was the second Congregational church to be organized in 1849, being preceded only by the San Francisco First Church. The last meeting of the Conference to be held in Sacramento was in October, 1935.

Rev. Fred L. Brownlee, who since 1920 has been secretary of the American Missionary Asociation, is to be headline speaker at our Conference at Sacramento. His visit is particularly timely since we are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Asociation. Under his leadership our colleges, including Fisk, Talladega, Le Moyne, Tougaloo, Dillard, and Tillotson, have grown from a total of 351 students to over 2,700.

The September issue of The Pacific told of such headline speakers as our national Moderator, Dr. Albert W. Palmer, Dr. Fred L. Brownlee of the A.M.A., Dr. Wofford C. Timmons of the General Council, and Dr. Nelson C. Dreier of the Southern California Conference.

On Wednesday night the 100th anniversary of the A.M.A. will be celebrated by two outstanding events. The South Berkeley Community Church will give a radio-drama, written for the occasion and entitled, "A Declaration of Inter-dependence." There will also be the showing of the color-sound motion picture which was shown at the General Council, entitled "The Color of a Man."

One of the most interesting and fruitful features of the program is a round-table on "The State of the Church in America." This will be discussed in four aspects: "In the City," by Rev. Vere V. Loper of Berkeley; "In the Rural Areas," by Rev. Herbert C. Gans of Petaluma; "Protestantism and Contemporary Roman Catholic Policies," by Rev. H. J. Loken of Kenwood; and "Our Congregational Convictions," by Rev. Maurice L. de Vries of Oroville.

The sessions will begin at 2:00 p. m. on Tuesday and will close with the banquet on Thursday evening. There will be a registration fee of $1.00 for each person who attends. Churches should see that voting delegates are elected in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws as set forth on the printed program.

Because of serious housing situation, the Sacramento Church is endeavoring to secure lodging entertainment in homes for many delegates. They cannot take care of everyone in that way. Some will have to go to hotels. Hotel rates are $4.00 and up for two people in a room. Few single rooms are available. If at all possible, delegates should double up. All reservations for housing, whether in homes or hotels, should be sent to Rev. Torrance Phelps, 2700 L Street, Sacramento 16, since the Church has been compelled to guarantee the cost of a certain number of rooms in each hotel. Reservations should be sent ten days in advance, with statement of preference as to home or hotel.

OUR BROTHERS IN JAPAN

Following is declaration made by the All-Japan Christian Convention in the summer of 1946. It indicates the spirit of our Christian brothers in that land.

We, the people of Japan, feel deeply responsible for this great war just ended. Especially we, who profess the Gospel of Peace, do hereby express our profound reflection, confession, and repentance. We believe, however, our Heavenly Father of infinite love and forgiveness will grant us sufficient grace to find a new way of life and revival of faith.

Confronting the immediate and unspeakable suffering and loss of our compatriots by this war, we are fully conscious of the new meaning of the Cross pressing upon us. Whereby, we have determined on the reconstruction of new Japan founded upon the Cross of Jesus, and to look forward to a day of a moral world order to be realized on this earth.

We pray that the All-Japan Christian Convention being held on this day of Pentecost may become the dawn of a new day for the forward movement of our churches and the revival of faith.

Through the consolidation of all Christian forces in Japan and taking upon ourselves the burden and agony of our war-stricken fellow compatriots, we have firmly resolved to give ourselves in service to them by sharing their hunger, their bewilderment and their sorrow, and to give them hope, faith and love in Christ.

Therefore, we hereby inaugurate a three-year nationwide evangelistic campaign and declare:

First—to Christianize Japan based upon the Cross of Christ;

Second—to do our uttermost to save eighty million compatriots from the menace of impending starvation.

P.E.P. Plans for 1946 and 1947

Rev. Ralph V. Conard, Chairman, called together the Conference Committee on the Postwar Emergency Program, on Wednesday, October 2nd, at Plymouth Congregational Church, Oakland. Mr. Conard had attended a meeting of all of the state chairmen for the Committee on War Victims and Reconstruction, at Chicago, and he brought reports from that meeting. A careful study was made of the giving of each church in the Conference and plans were laid to reach those who had not yet come up with the amounts suggested as their share. Consideration was also given to the large number of churches that made an appeal to their people for the year 1946, that it is not too early to begin making arrangements for the presentation for 1947. The Postwar Emergency Program is for three years—1946, 1947 and 1948.

Very attractive new literature is now available. Samples have been sent to ministers of material that is available for general distribution. Mr. Conard is anxious to be of assistance by advice or correspondence or visitation that each church of the Conference may find the way to do its full share.

WINTER USE OF CAZADERO

A change in policy for winter groups at Cazadero has been made since the last PACIFIC went to press. The camp is open to week-end groups from the churches from 8 to 50 people. The fee is 75 cents per person for each 24-hour period. Reservations for the camp are to be sent directly to Clarence Young, Congregational Cazadero, Star Route, Box 60, Cazadero, California, two weeks in advance. At the time reservation is made the church should send a deposit of $5.00 which can be returned up to two weeks of the date reserved, but which will be forfeit if the group fails to arrive at the last minute. Groups are to bring their own bedding, food, cook, and in the case of youth groups at least one adult counselor for each ten young people.

In addition to the main camp facilities, a housekeeping cabin is now open for family or small groups for private use, vacationing, etc. The cabin will be furnished with blankets (but no linen), wood stove, utensils, dishes, etc. The charge for this cabin is $1.00 per person for a 24-hour period ($2.00 minimum). This cabin can accommodate up to ten or twelve persons.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 22-24—Annual Meeting of Conference at Pioneer Church, Sacramento.

November 2-3—Laymen's Retreat, Drobish Ranch, Marysville.

November 16-17—Laymen's Retreat, Vallicita, near Angels Camp.

November 30-December 1—Laymen's Retreat, Hotel Tulare, Tulare.

December 7-8—Laymen's Retreat, Mt. Hermon.

December 27 - 30 — Pilgrim Fellowship Midwinter Conference, Lodi.

January 30—Annual meeting, Federation of Congregational Women.

February 11-17—Pastors' Conference, Pacific School of Religion.

April 6—Easter.

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The Last Stretch

The giving of our churches for the first nine months on the Apportionment, including the Courageous and Substantial Increase, and to the C.W.V.R., is reflected in the columns appearing below. To be sure, this is not complete, since some of the churches persist in sending their offering to the national treasuries and the figures below are for monies sent only through the Conference treasury; but it is a fairly accurate picture as to trends. For the Apportionment the gain over 1945 is 34¼ per cent, slightly better than a month ago, but not nearly as encouraging as the 50 per cent increase which was shown earlier in the year. Gifts to the C.W.V.R. continue to climb, showing a deep interest on the part of our people in this effort to really show brotherliness to the stricken peoples who suffer as a result of the war.

Three months only remain, and they should be by far the best months, with gifts from the churches and from individuals mounting daily. May 1946 be our crowning year thus far in making possible the extension of our beloved fellowship and the Kingdom of Christ.

	Appt. Jan. 11 to Sept. 30 1945	Appt. Jan. 11 to Sept. 30 1946	C.W.V.R. 1946
Adin	$ 38.80	$ 28.44	$ 40.01
Alameda	711.77	1,140.13	801.77
Alturas	63.10	102.66	100.56
Angels Camp	153.00	155.00	147.34
Antioch	75.16	25.38	.....
Auburn	125.50	154.85	127.00
Benicia	230.00	.....	219.56
Berkeley—			
Arlington	77.99	53.62	92.50
Chinese	.....	10.00	51.81
First	4,641.17	7,521.18	4,923.11
North	467.25	572.55	463.25
Northbrae	.....	.....	85.00
South	434.57	442.04	106.79
Biola	.....	.....	100.00
Brentwood	154.00	83.00	78.00
Cedarville	.....	67.50	.....
Cloverdale	69.40	68.99	3.00
Cotati	85.00	50.00	25.00
Crockett	50.44	49.98	16.96
Elk Grove	.....	.....	60.00
Eureka	426.53	503.30	467.33
Fairfax	65.94	.....	.....
Ferndale	252.60	250.48	319.19
Fresno—			
First	900.00	705.00	913.90
Pilgrim	414.62	560.00	157.87
Glen Ellen	21.00	140.00	195.00
Gras Valley	.....	25.00	.....
Guerneville	33.87	42.09	119.43
Hayward	100.00	10.00	345.00
Kenwood	11.46	8.45	.....
Lodi—			
Ebenezer	.....	.....	1,770.64
First	1,609.00	3,422.50	5 320.50
Loleta	51.23	7.62	.....
Loomis	80.18	200.00	.....
Martinez	319.72	715.80	342.95
Murphys	83.40	81.00	18.00
Niles	55.00	50.00	150.00
Oakland—			
First	4,010.00	4,762.57	1,123.87
Fruitvale	30.00	56.50	10.00
Japanese	15.00	30.00	.....
Pilgrim	51.00	94.96	141.95
Plymouth	944.45	933.98	3.00
Orinda	175.80	365.15	65.55
Oroville	228.91	614.89	500.40
Pacific Grove	265.15	174.60	.....
Palo Alto	525.00	1,100.00	600.00
Paradise	200.00	375.00	.....
Parlier	.....	25.00	.....
Penngrove	61.35	28.40	41.26
Pescadero	.....	.....	81.01
Petaluma	627.25	336.00	.....
Pittsburg	199.34	216.16	80.10
Port Chicago	37.56	39.94	73.00
Porterville	800.00	600.00	725.00
Redwood City	210.07	212.04	373.99
Reedley	25.00	.....	.....
Rio Vista	70.00	106.40	84.60
Ripon	182.60	212.17	173.95
Sacramento—			
First	720.00	1,175.00	1,010.00
Sierra-Arden	.....	45.49	.....
Salida	86.00	60.00	.....
San Carlos	190.20	230.40	113.15
San Francisco—			
Bethany Msn. Park	225.00	122.16	6.00
Chinese	.....	20.00	30.00
First	558.27	1,166.86	371.30
Ocean View	66.15	75.00	15.00
Park Presidio	130.00	162.74	167.00
Sanger	.....	.....	247.32
San Jose	466.52	683.52	594.97
San Leandro	152.70	147.91	6.00
San Lorenzo	.....	.....	50.00
San Mateo	610.95	510.73	39.00
San Rafael	79.00	42.55	.....
Santa Cruz	575.00	730.00	232.00
Santa Rosa	144.00	204.46	35.00
Saratoga	351.05	387.56	177.84
Sebastopol	221.60	276.11	177.40
Sonoma	46.68	120.85	97.30
Soquel	90.00	101.00	99.00
Stockton	535.11	700.88	512.52
Suisun	84.00	101.94	102.78
Sunnyvale	53.06	75.00	.....
Tulare	565.00	590.33	.....
Weaverville	75.00	100.00	65.54
Woodside	23.80	11.50	92.43
Reno, Nevada	386.65	665.86	169.45
*Miscellaneous	885.56	1,250.40	1,298.42
	$27,781.48	$37,288.47	$27,573.59

*Some small gifts for the Conference from our German-speaking churches are included in the miscellaneous items. Their main giving goes to the treasury of the National German Conference.

Pilgrim Fellowship Cabinet, first row, left to right: Mary Lou Loper, representative on Camp Commission; Harry Caldwell, president Westbay Area; James Price, Jr., Junior High co-chairman; Matthew Fong, Recreation chairman; Joe Allen, representative on Camp Commission; Warren Addicott, president, San Joaquin Area; Bobbette Thompson, representative to Committee for War Victims and Reconstruction. Second row, left to right: Helen Alexander, Junior High co-chairman; Avonne Ravekes, Interdenominational Action chairman; John Towers, vice-president; Claudine Swanson, secretary; Bruce MacKenzie, president; Mary Meadows, past president; Bill Bielar, treasurer; Dixie Renouf, Social Action and Service chairman. Third row, left to right: Allen McCombs, business manager; Nancy Lauritzen, president, Upper Bay area; Rev. G. Arthur Casaday, advisor; Jim Studabaker, editor, The Light; Rev. William W. Meyer, Field Secretary; Rev. Robert Inglis, Personal Action chairman; Celia Elmore, Historian and Handbook chairman; Martha Theobald, assistant editor, The Light.

READ, PAUSE, THINK!

(Resolution on World Relief written by Mayne Garner Miller and adopted by the Executive Committee of the United Council of Church Women, April 27 1946.)

I planned an ultra-modern home when priorities were lifted...
But a Belgian woman whispered, "I have no home at all!"
I dreamed of a country place for luxurious week-ends,
But a Jewish lad kept saying, "I have no country!"
I decided on a new cupboard right now . . .
But a child in China cried out, "I have no cup!"
I started to purchase a new kind of washing machine . . .
But a Polish woman said softly, "I have nothing to wash."
I wanted a quick-freezing unit for storing quantities of food . . .
But across the waters came the cry: "I have no food!"
I ordered a new car for the pleasure of my loved ones . . .
But a war orphan murmured, "I have no loved ones!"

HAVE YOU—sent in your gift this month? Your check may be made payable to your church treasurer and marked for C.W.V.R.

DONALD J. MACCALLUM ORDAINED

At the Park Avenue Church in Arlington, Mass., Mr. Donald J. Maccallum was ordained to the Christian ministry by the Suffolk North Association. Mr. Maccallum, who graduated from the Pacific School of Religion last June, is the pastor at our church at Suisun. He was ordained in his home church at the request of our Alameda church of which he is a member and with approval of the Conference Committee on Ministerial Standing. The Ordination sermon was preached by the former pastor of his home church, Rev. Clifford O. Simpson. Mr. Simpson will be remembered as having been student assistant at Oakland Plymouth Church some years ago, and a leader in our young people's work in the Conference. Mr. Maccallum is continuing his studies at the Pacific School of Religion and his leadership of the Suisun Church.

CAMPBELL. The community is growing so rapidly that Rev. Robert Carlson is dividing the territory into calling areas, with a lay person in charge of each one. Classes of children in released time will have a paid teacher this year.

Recommendations

Vote "NO" on Proposition No. 2.
Vote "NO" on Proposition No. 15.
Vote "YES" on Proposition No. 11.

At its September 24th meeting the Committee voted to take the vote of the entire committee membership on its recommendation on these issues and report the result to the Conference through The Pacific. All members of the Committee responded by return mail except one. The vote was unanimous to recommend the above.

Proposition No. 2 should be defeated because gambling is poor business as well as poor morality. We will support Veteran Welfare work in our state by legitimate means. This is a vicious attempt to give gambling interests a greater hold on our state by offering 4 per cent of the profits to Veteran welfare.

Proposition No. 15 should be defeated for it attempts to short-circuit the natural process of validating doubtful law by court action. The amendments to the Alien Land Law should stand court test as to their constitutionality. Knowing that the law is discriminatory on the basis of race and therefore undemocratic and of dubious constitutionality, the attempt is being made to validate the law by this method rather than allowing it to stand on its own feet before the courts.

Proposition No. 11 should be passed because it makes clear our intention to rid ourselves of undemocratic discrimination on the basis of race, creed, or national background in the field of jobs. That a Fair Employment Practices Act can help do this has been proven nationally during the war and is being proved right now in New York State, where a similar law has been in operation for over a year. By passing this proposition we can give content to our decision at Grinnell to work for better human relations and the end of racial discrimination.

The following members of the Conference Committee on Social Action voted: Rev. Robert W. Inglis, Rev. G. Arthur Casaday, Mr. Galen M. Fisher, Rev. Buell Gallagher, Mrs. S. C. Peabody, Miss Stefanie Swift, Miss Eleanor Breed, and Rev. Norio Ozaki.

EUREKA. Officers and committees of the church are becoming active in their various duties. The Social Action Committee helped to secure rent control in Eureka and is working on the F.E.P.C. There is prospect of a young adult organization. Rev. Emerson W. Harris is pastor.

FRESNO, FIRST. The 24th year of the Sunday Evening Forum opened on October 6. The interest of the community makes posible an increasingly interesting and expensive list of speakers, musicals, and the like. Rev. John H. Gregg serves as executive secretary.

KENWOOD. The response to Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Loken in this community is hearty. Young people gave a delightful reception at the club house in honor of the new pastor and his wife. Fine congregations have been present each Sunday.

PESCADERO. After a brief vacation, the church was reopened with the new minister, Mr. Donald Kirkbride of the Pacific School of Religion. A news bulletin was mailed to all interested people of the community.

PACIFIC SCHOOL of RELIGION

PREPARES for the RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

BERKELEY CALIFORNIA

MINSTERS AND CHURCHES ON THE JOB

ACRAMENTO, SIERRA-ARDEN. The l program has been announced with Sunday School being conducted in ee different homes in order to accom- date the children. There will be a men's study group every Wednesday rning; Parents and Teachers every ednesday evening; a class on Aids to orship also in the evening of Wednes- y. The women's Council meets month- two Pilgrim Fellowship organizations ll meet each Sunday night, and also a ung adult group. Services of worship ll be launched if it is possible to ac- mmodate such a gathering. Rev. Mary cKee Chester and Rev. Joseph Chester e in charge.

STOCKTON. During the Sunday morn- g service on Sept. 15th, Rev. Noel J. reed suffered a heart attack which will ean a period of inactivity of some eeks. Fortunately, medical attention and ospitalization were available and excel- nt progress is being made in recovery. he people of the church have rallied to irry forward the organization, and the ulpit is being cared for by Prof. Hugh ernon White, of the Pacific School of eligion.

ALAMEDA. Rev. Charles Stanley reached on September 22 while the pas- or, Rev. Ralph V. Conard, was in at- endance at the Cazadero Laymen's Re- reat. Fifteen churches of Alameda have nited in an attendance crusade during he month of October. The members of he church served as hosts for the enter- ainment of Mrs. James F. McKinley and hildren while they were waiting for the hip to take them back to the Philippines.

SANTA CRUZ. About 100 women of he Santa Clara Association were guests t the church rally on Sept. 18th. Miss Pattie Lee Coghill was the speaker. Mrs. James H. Price, President of the Federa- ion of Congregational Women, and Miss Edith Parsons, former missionary in Tur- key, were present. The church roof has been reshingled at a cost of about $2,000. Rev. H. S. Mahood is pastor.

RIPON. Rev. A. C. Hacke has an- nounced his resignation and a pulpit com- mittee has been formed and is at work. The new church year has opened auspi- piciously with a splendid staff of workers for the church school. In response to a single letter, more than enough money was received to pay for a roof to the church building.

SACRAMENTO, PIONEER. Miss Jo- sephine Fithian has been secured as min- ister of music. Two new choirs have been organized. The church is busy in preparation for the State Conference meeting. Not less than 200 delegates are to be lodged in homes. Rev. Torrance Phelps is pastor.

BERKELEY, NORTH. New hearing aids have been installed and dedicated together with a public address system. President Ronald Bridges of the Pacific School of Religion was the speaker at the regular family night supper. Rev. Eugene V. Haynes is the pastor.

SANGER. The Sunday School has an enrollment of 76 with an attendance of from 55 to 65. Membership of the church now stands at 176. Rev. Edward Hilde- brand is pastor.

OAKLAND, JAPANESE. Rev. Norio Ozaki attended a conference of Japanese Congregational ministers in Southern California. Several of the families of the church are returning to Oakland.

COTATI. After being without a min- ister for several months, this church has invited Mr. Walter Vernon to become its pastor for a three months' period, with the understanding that by mutual agree- ment the arrangement can be extended in- definitely. Mr. Vernon graduated from the University of Southern California this summer, and is a first-year student at Pa- cific School of Religion. While studying in Los Angeles, he was minister of youth at the Church of the Messiah. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Vernon of San Francisco Ocean View Church.

SAN LORENZO. Mr. Ray Woodruff, who has been parish assistant for the past four months, is to continue on a part-time basis while attending school. The church has received great reinforcement by the moving into the community of two broth- ers experienced in music and Sunday School work, and a retired minister of another denomination who is giving hearty cooperation. Rev. Homer Schwarz, the pastor, is working hard on building plans.

BERKELEY, CHINESE. This church is fortunate and happy to be able to se- cure as pastor, for the time being, Mr. Hoh Yam-tong, recently from China. Mr. Hoh, who received his college training in China, has earned his Master of Arts de- gree at Stanford and Doctor of Philosophy degree at Columbia. Although he is a layman he has been active in Christian work for many years and will give splen- did leadership to this church.

OAKLAND, FIRST. At the Women's League luncheon interesting reports were given of the young people's summer con- ferences at Cazadero, and of the Mission- ary Education Movement gathering at Asilomar. There was a reunion of church families at an indoor picnic Friday eve- ning, Sept. 27th. Rev. Clarence Reiden- bach has begun his fourteenth year as pastor.

SAN FRANCISCO, FIRST. On a re- cent Sunday night Rev. Jason Noble Pierce honored the missionaries going on the S.S. Marine Lynx to the Orient by using recordings of the addresses by Henry Luce and President Robert Sproul which were given at the great union service on September 10 at the Memorial Opera House.

SAN FRANCISCO, PARK PRESIDIO. Recent figures indicate that this church, which has had such a long struggle with a heavy debt, will be completely free from it by December 1st. Rev. Robert W. Moon, the minister, has announced a very interesting series of sermons en- titled "Positive Answers to Life's Ques- tions."

LOOMIS. Following the two months of intensive work in the fruit orchards and packing houses, members of the church are taking up again their church responsibilities. Young men have taken the places of some who have passed on and have surrendered their offices. Con- gregations are increasing and the Pilgrim Fellowship is looking forward.

SAN CARLOS. The work in this church is being maintained under the leadership of Rev. Weldon Batty. It is probable that by the time this issue reaches its readers the church will have chosen its new minister.

FRESNO, JAPANESE. At long last the church is back in its building, which is being put in order to prepare for the calling of a minister and the resumption of church services.

BERKELEY, FIRST. Rehearsals are under way for two junior choirs under the new minister of music, Mr. Charles Black. A junior church, made up of Jun- ior High young people, will duplicate as far as possible the organization of an adult church. Rev. Ford Forsyth will serve as the minister. Mrs. Alva F. Englehart is the new director of the Church School. Rev. Vere V. Loper, the pastor, has com- pleted the manuscript for the Fellowship of Prayer booklet to be used during Lent in 1947.

OAKLAND, PILGRIM. The fall issue of Daily Devotions has been mailed to each family in the parish; also a subcrip- tion to the Pacific has been given to each family. The church now has no less than six part-time employees, including a jani- tor, gardener, choir director, pianist, of- fice secretary, and nursery attendant. At the East Bay Pilgrim Fellowship picnic rally, this church had the largest attend- ance. Two men attended Cazadero Re- treat.

PARADISE. Rev. and Mrs. W. H. L. Marshall were given a lovely farewell reception and some very generous gifts. Twelve members were received into the church on the last Sunday, most of them young married people and nine of them on profession of faith. The church is being supplied by the Rev. Harris Pills- bury. The Marshalls are located in their new home at 501 Atlanta Avenue, San Jose.

GUERNEVILLE. Pilgrim Fellowship was host to young people from the Evangelical and Reformed Church of Peta- luma. The church roof is to be put in order, and plans are under way for a small addition to the building, which will add some Sunday School facilities. Rev. Henry Hayden, the pastor, took six young people to the Pilgrim Fellowship banquet at Piedmont Church.

MARTINEZ. A new printed monthly newspaper has made its appearance in this parish. It contains news about mem- bers and organizations, announcements of future events and a message by the min- ister, Rev. Donald F. Gaylord. Six new members were received in July. On World Communion Day gifts were in- vited for relief.

PENNGROVE. Rev. George Hetenyi has been unanimously called for an in- definite period as the minister of this church. A new gas furnace has been in- stalled. Clubs for girls and boys are in process of organization. Mr. Hetenyi will attend classes at the Pacific School of Religion each Monday during the fall term.

PITTSBURG. A new Hammond organ has been purchased and installed. Octo- ber will be Loyalty Month, the four Sun- days being observed as World Commun- ion Sunday, Youth Sunday, Family Sun- day and Guest Sunday. All departments are starting out with fine promise. Rev. Elmer W. Benedict is the pastor.

FERNDALE. Ill fortune has followed the footsteps of the pastor, C. H. Hudson, this summer. His former home in Eureka burned with a total loss, and in returning from Cazadero his car was badly damaged in a collision, but no one seriously hurt. The work at Ferndale is going along at an even pace.

SANTA ROSA. Mr. George R. Tolson, who is serving this church as pastor, re- ports that the church is looking forward with vision and courage. He plans to apply for ordination at a not distant date.

SAN FRANCISCO, GRACE UNITED. This church and its Children's Project, which has been of such great interest to the women of our Federation, will suffer a great loss in the resignation of Miss Alice English. However, congratulations are in order, as Miss English is to be married and will continue in religious work as the wife of a Southern California Presbyterian minister. During the sum- mer many children of the Mission Dis- trict were given outings at Camp Mat- tup. Rev. E. LeRoy Abbott is pastor.

SAN JOSE. The work of the Church School has stepped up with the appoint- ment of Mrs. John Massen as part-time director of education. Mr. Jack Chaplin will also be doing part-time work with the Congregational G.I.s of the State Col- lege. The Robert Whitakers with their daughter, Frances, were dedicated as for- eign representatives of the church before they sailed for China. On World Com- munion Sunday 21 new members were received, most of them young couples. Rev. Stephen Peabody is pastor.

PETALUMA. Mrs. Herbert C. Gans, wife of the minister, preached on the Sunday that her husband was at the Caza- dero laymen's retreat. At the beginning of his second year of service, Mr. Gans' sermon subject was "How do you like Petaluma?" A pastor's class in training for church membership is held at the Church School hour. A beginning has been made of a fund for a garden in mem- ory of Mrs. Jessie M. Greene.

WEAVERVILLE. Rev. William Keeney, the new pastor, is finding his work both pleasant and promising. Mem- bership of the junior choir has increased from ten to thirty-one. Promotion Sun- day was observed September 29th, and Religious Education Sunday, October 6. The Pilgrim Fellowship is giving a boost to the Teen-age Canteen Program. Visits have been made to Lewiston and Hay- fork.

HAYWARD. Two choirs, the Pilgrim Choristers and the Chancel Choir, alter- nate in rehearsals and in singing at the Sunday morning services of worship. In response to a demand, an Adult Bible Class is being organized to meet at the Sunday School hour. A movement is un- der way for a young couples' group. Rev. Richard Norberg is the pastor.

LODI, FIRST. Rev. A. R. Boone, pas- tor, will teach the fourth and sixth grades in one of the week-day religious schools for the year. Rev. F. W. Gross, of the Ebenezer Church, is chairman of the work for the churches of Lodi. The women's association had as speaker, Miss Anna Belle Williams, returned missionary from Japan.

PORT CHICAGO. A separate primary department has been organized. Im- provements of the property, including painting, are under way. Rev. W. C. Besselievre, the pastor, is reorganizing the Pilgrim Fellowship.

ORINDA. On World Communion Day two communion services were held, one at 8 and one at 11 o'clock. The church is making application for an army chapel.

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AUTUMN ASSOCIATION RALLIES

During a period of ten days, in September, the various Associations have held their separate meetings, and for that reason there has been no meeting of the Federation as a whole. Cotati, Santa Cruz, Porterville, Salida, Oroville, and Martinez have been the hostess churches for their respective Associations, with Plymouth Church, Oakland, serving the Bay Association. Reports from the meetings are gratifying, from the point of view both of numbers and of interest.

Fifty-six churches in all were represented. San Joaquin and Central Associations had a complete roster, with Redwood Empire lacking only one, which is remarkable in view of the extent of country covered by that Association. Santa Clara and Upper Bay also made a fine showing. In point of numbers present at the meeting, Santa Clara was easily first, with a total of 110, and San Joaquin followed closely with 100. In all, nearly five hundred women attended. This in itself shows the advantage of the plan of having one month given over to separate Association meetings. The women who can benefit from the central meetings held monthly at the First Church, Oakland, are not a fourth of that number.

The officers of the Federation were generous in giving of their time to these meetings. Mrs. James H. Price, our president, was present at all but one. Mrs. Charles Stanley and Mrs. William Meyer, Foreign and Home Field secretaries, respectively; Mrs. Hattie Gauthier, Mrs. James Cooper (Thank Offering secretary), Mrs. Z. W. Booth, Mrs. H. T. Helfer, and Mrs. Stephen Peabody (Social Action secretary), were present at one or more of the Associations.

The "Star Speaker," as one writer termed her, at all the Associations, was Miss Pattie Lee Coghill, a secretary of the Missions Council, a delightful person and a forceful speaker. Miss Coghill has visited us before, and we hope she will do so frequently in the future. Her subject this year was India and our task in that great country. Said one Association president: "Everyone would have been glad to listen longer." In addition to hearing Miss Coghill, the Bay Association also had the pleasure and profit of hearing Miss Annie C. Watson, executive secretary of the International Institute of San Francisco, who spoke of the work of that important organization. Among other things, she stressed the necessity of informing ourselves concerning the Fair Employment Practice bill, on which we shall have to vote at the November election. The women found her talk both interesting and informative. The Bay Association also had the opportunity of hearing of India at first hand through the address of Dr. J. V. Bhat, one of the exchange students from India, who spoke on "How Young India Looks At It."

In spite of these valuable contributions from outside friends, perhaps the most interesting part of all these meetings was in the reports of the individual societies —of their aims and their accomplishments. Some of these we bring to you, and we wish we might bring all.

Palo Alto women are practical in their interest in the matter of juvenile delinquency. They heard talks on it, and studied the problems concerned with their local police department, and in some cases helped in working out those problems. In that same church the Devotional Life chairman meets with those responsible for the devotional services in each circle and they plan for the various meetings. So the practical and the spiritual go hand in hand there.

Lodi—but you know what I am going to say about Lodi; I say it every year—Lodi is reading! So far they have read over 226 books and periodicals, and the reading year, you remember, is not much more than half over. They have sixteen on the honor roll already. They sent two delegates to M.E.M. with instructions to buy $5 worth of books. But the delegates knew this would not be enough for Lodi women, so they took the cheaper accommodations of the "Long Houses" and spent the difference for more books. Ripon, also, says Mrs. F. P. Brown, the president of Central Association, "is high in readers."

Paradise women during the year gave a "Sacrificial Lunchean" with a carefully prepared devotional service, and the opportunity really to sacrifice for the aid of war victims. If you would like to have such a worthwhile contribution in your own church write to Mrs. Price, who has the detailed program. Her address is 6439 Regent Street, Oakland 9.

Petaluma, among a list of activities that made your editor dizzy to read, gave a tea for Miss Agnes Wood of Africa and invited the women of the neighboring churches to meet and hear her. Kenwood Community Church is happy in the arrival of Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Loken, after a year and a half of having no settled pastor, and the women of the church and community have given visible evidence of their pleasure in welcoming the Lokens by redecorating the manse for their use. Angels Camp won the booth prize of $250 at the County Fair, and provided a piano for the new Youth Center. One way of raising money for the work of the church, which Soquel and several other societies mentioned, was that of taking charge of wedding receptions for families in the church, thereby aiding the family and adding to their own treasury.

A pleasant refrain to many of the reports was: "Filled our Friendly Service quota." Numbers of "adoptions" have been reported: a child in China, another in Holland, another in India, a family in Italy. Pounds of clothing and boxes of food have been sent to the distressed all over the world, from whom one society has received twenty letters of thanks and appreciation. A most hopeful sign for the future is the frequent mention of plans for securing the interest and attendance of younger women and especially the young mothers. We hope fathers will not object to the fact that some of these plans seem to necessitate their acting as guardians to the babies in the absence of the mothers!

There is no room for more of the interesting reports your editor would like to incorporate in her column. Do not miss YOUR Association meeting next September!

Remember that, instead of the October meeting of the Federation, our women will attend the annual meeting of the Conference in Sacramento, October 22-24.

Our CWVR has bought $50,000 worth of surplus army medical supplies for hospitals in China and the Philippines. $10,000 was sent to rehabilitate our hospital in Taiku, where our own Dr. Leonard Wilbur gave his life.

Dishes Wanted

Our Congregational Cazadero Camp continues to function only through the continued support and interest of all the churches. One of the important economies we have practiced is to use old dishes donated to the camp instead of buying a brand new set. Each year there is some breakage as campers wash their own dishes and set the tables themselves.

To prepare for a bigger and better camp season next year, the following are the minimum needs for dishes and silver which we hope will be donated to the camp: 95 cereal bowls or soup bowls, 25 saucers or dessert dishes, 108 cups, 30 large serving bowls, 14 large platters, 28 knives, 19 forks, 37 teaspoons, 41 tablespoons, 6 large mixing bowls.

Any churches or individuals willing to donate these items or equipment to the camp should get in touch with Field Secretary Meyer to make arrangements for transportation to the camp. Other items of equipment may also be usable, but specific descriptions should be sent and arrangements made with the Camp Commission.

WELL DONE, P. F.ers

Our Northern California Pilgrim Fellowship representatives at the State Camp set for themselves the goal of raising $5200 for the year. Of this amount, $2000 is to go to the C.W.V.R. Various projects, state, national, and world wide, call for $1600. An additional $1600 is to be secured for their own activities and interests. The young people at the camp made a fine beginning by themselves giving over $500.

CHILDREN'S WORK CLINICS

In November the Evangelical and Reformed Churches in Northern California are inviting pastors and Christian educators of our Congregational Churches to share in a series of children's work clinics with Miss Bernice Buehler, National Director of Children's Work for the E&R Churches. The dates and places are as follows: Nov. 14—San Francisco; Nov. 15—Oakland; Nov. 16—San Bruno; Nov. 17—general meeting in Bay Area; Nov. 18—Petaluma; Nov. 19—Woodland, and Nov. 20—Lodi.

400 MISSIONARIES

It was a noble and thrilling occasion to see the great War Memorial opera house in San Francisco crowded on September 10 to give a God-send to 400 missionaries of many denominations. The parlor of our First Church in San Francisco was filled with Congregational ministers and lay people to meet our own eleven.

MRS. JESSIE M. GREENE

Mrs. Jessie M. Greene, of Petaluma, passed away on Sept. 17th, after a long illness. Mrs. Greene was not only a very loyal member of the Petaluma Church but at one time was president of the Federation of Congregational Women of Northern California. In that capacity she travelled widely among our churches and was recognized as a strong leader. She was deeply interested in the missionary cause and was a talented teacher of drama and public speaking. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Herbert C. Gans, assisted by Superintendent Harley H. Gill.

HOW THEY VOTE

Voters who are interested in learning how their congressmen voted in 1945 and 1946 on key issues may secure the printed record by writing Mrs. Stephen Peabody of 70 South 17th St., San Jose 12, California. This data was assembled and published by the legislative committee of our Council for Social Action and the Friends' Committee on National Legislation. It would be appreciated if 5 cents in stamps could be sent with the request.

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